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### **2001 Census results revealed today**

The Australian Statistician, Dennis Trewin, today launched the first round results of the 2001 Census in a ceremony at the Australian Bureau of Statistics (ABS) Data Processing Centre in Sydney.

Speaking at the launch Mr Trewin said the 2001 Census data gave the community a detailed insight into Australia during the Centenary of Federation, and at the start of the new millennium.

He also paid tribute to the community for its support of the census.

"The level of cooperation from households in completing the census across Australia has once again been outstanding," he said.

"A big thank you must go to all Australians for their help. This excellent level of cooperation, coupled with successful field operations and processing, means that the Australian census will continue to be regarded as one of the best in the world and a great investment in Australia's future.

"The census is a very large but important task. It is the largest and most wide-ranging collection undertaken by the ABS and I am told that it is the largest peacetime operation in Australia. It involves the recruitment and training of over 30,000 census Collectors who drop-off and pick-up forms from every household in Australia.

"The census benefits the community by giving them useable information that can help them build a better Australia," he said. "For example it can show us how people commute and their destinations. Transport planners can then work out better solutions for moving millions of people through our cities.

"Census information reveals trends in Australian life. Strategic planners in both public and private sectors see the needs of Australians and can forecast the probable needs of Australians in the future."

Mr Trewin said access to the census data was easier than ever before. A great deal of information was available on this site and through more than 500 national, state, tertiary and public libraries throughout Australia.

### **Media please note:**

**State, capital city, suburban and regional media** - comparisons and rankings for your area are

available in the Census publication **Selected Social and Housing Characteristics, Australia** (Cat. No. 2015.0). For those unable to attend the national launch or State/Territory events, a copy is available by emailing **client.services@abs.gov.au**

**This site** also has a vast array of 2001 Census data. The website contains a narrative snapshot series, plus basic community profile tables from the local to the national level.

**Ethnic media** - a special language profile for over 70 different languages has been developed for media and is available by facsimile. To receive a profile for your particular language, forward your details (including language of interest, telephone and facsimile numbers) to facsimile (02) 6252 8002 .

**Indigenous media** - A specialised set of indigenous profiles are available on this site.

**2001 Census news file footage** - of census processing and census form destruction has been distributed to major metropolitan and regional TV Newsrooms.

**Stills images** - are available at **www.aapmedianet.com.au** under the 2001 Census category.

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